

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REF: 8EPR-SR

November 16, 1998

Mr. Robert Litle Asarco Globe Plant 495 East 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue Denver, CO 80216

Re: Vasquez Boulevard and Interstate 70 Site

Dear Bob:

A copy of the draft report summarizing the results of physico-chemical characterization of soils for the Vasquez Boulevard & I-70 site was provided to Asarco at the Working Group meeting on November 12, 1998. As discussed at that meeting, I am providing the enclosed information related to that report:

- 1. Replacement pages (enclosure 1);
- 2. Revised figures 1A through 1D which illustrate the relationship between the bulk and fine concentrations of soils in lower concentration ranges (enclosure 2); and
- 3. Supporting calculations for relative arsenic mass by phase (enclosure 3).

Please review the report and the enclosed information and provide me with any written comments by November 30, 1998. Comments will be discussed at the next working group meeting. EPA will revise the report as necessary to respond to comments received and will incorporate this report into a final report on the results of risk-based sampling and physicochemical characterization of soils described in the project plans provided to working group members in August, 1998.

If you have any questions as you review the report and the enclosed information, please call me at (303)312-6579 or Chris Weis at (303) 312-6671.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Lavelle

Remedial Project Manager

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cc (w/encl): Linda Larson, HEWM